

TED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

William T. CLARK, et al.

Serial No:

09/532,837

Filed:

March 21, 2000

For:

3/Pre A V. Day 5/2/01 ENHANCED DATA CABLE WITH CROSS-TWIST CABLED

CORE PROFILE

Examiner:

Not Yet Assigned

Art Unit:

1733

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Prior to examination on the merits, please rewrite claims 1-3, 6-8, 11 and 12 as shown below.

Applicants present the claims as amended below and encloses a separate sheet indicating the amendments to the claims with bracketing and underlining.

1. (Amended) A cable, comprising:

a plurality of transmission media;

a central conductive core having a surface defining channels within which each of the plurality of transmission media are individually disposed; and

an outer jacket maintaining the plurality of data transmission media in position with respect to the core.

(Amended) The cable of claim 1, wherein the channels of the central conductive core are 2. separated by fins, the cable further comprising:

a conductive shield covering the channels and in contact with the fins.

529383.1